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**PATENT APPLICATION  
Q-57442**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Bernard DABEZIES et al

Appln. No.: 09/462,206

PCT/FR99/01172,

Filed: May 17, 1999

**Confirmation No.: [NOT YET KNOWN]**

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For: METHOD OF LASER WELDING OVERLAPPING SHEETS AND CORRESPONDING  
RAILWAY VEHICLE BODY

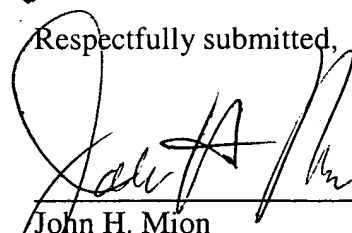
**STATUS INQUIRY**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The undersigned attorney filed a response to the Notification of Missing Requirements...  
on April 28, 2000. To date, the undersigned attorney has received no Official Filing Receipt or  
first Office Action. The undersigned respectfully requests (1) that an Official Filing Receipt be  
issued in connection with the above-identified application and (2) to be advised of the status of  
the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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